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CASH PRIZES FOR INTELLIGENT WRITING ON INTELLIGENCE

The National Intelligence Study Center (NISC) announces that it will award a prize of \$1,000 for the best book, \$500 for the best scholarly article, and \$500 for the best journalistic writing by a U.S. citizen on the subject of the role of intelligence in U.S. national decision-making and security. These awards will be made for published or unpublished manuscripts produced during the period of January to December 1978. Submissions must be made to NISC not later than December 31, 1978, and will be judged by a NISC committee composed of Lyman Kirkpatrick, William Franklin, Ray Cline, Jules Davids, Martin Cramer, Roger Abbott, and others to be selected. These NISC officers and advisors have a broad range of experience and expertise in such academic fields as diplomatic history, international affairs, strategic and security policy programs, as well as in intelligence and related governmental work. The awards will be announced early in 1979. Other excellent writings will receive meritorious citations.

The purpose of these awards -- and of NISC itself -- is to foster a better public understanding of the historical role and current functions of our intelligence agencies and of the vital contribution made by the intelligence community to national policymaking, defense, arms control, and the maintenance of peace. It is urgent that intelligence be understood to have as its central function careful scholarly analysis and sophisticated technical and human information collection.

In recent years the intelligence agencies have been under intense criticism, some of it warranted, but much of it including serious distortions. A better understanding of intelligence is needed at all levels -- policymakers in government, academia, and the general public. NISC is dedicated to encouraging enlightening study of the real issues of maintaining an effective national intelligence system in our free society.

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Dr. Cline served for more than 30 years in several different U.S. government agencies, mostly in Washington but also abroad. His first Washington job, in 1942, was working on breaking Japanese codes for the U.S. Navy at the time of the great naval battles of the Pacific. Subsequently he joined OSS (the Office of Strategic Services) where he was Chief of Current Intelligence. He continued in government service after World War II. The highest level posts in which he served were Deputy Director for Intelligence in the Central Intelligence Agency from 1962 to 1966 and Director of the Bureau of Intelligence and Research in the Department of State (a position equivalent to Assistant Secretary of State) from November 1969 to November 1973. At this latter time he resigned from the State Department and retired from government service for a career of research, writing, and lecturing on international affairs. He was awarded the CIA Distinguished Intelligence Medal and the Career Intelligence Medal.

Dr. Cline holds A.B., M.A., and Ph.D. degrees from Harvard University. He also studied at Balliol College, Oxford University, as a Henry Prize Fellow and later was a member of the Society of Fellows at Harvard.

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